



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/674,914  
Filing Date: September 30, 2003  
Applicant: Bevil J. Hogg  
Group Art Unit: 3736  
Examiner: Kristin D. Rogers  
Title: Method and Apparatus for Improved Surgical Navigation  
Employing Electronic Identification with Automatically  
Actuated Flexible Medical Devices  
Attorney Docket: 5236-000452

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 28, 2006, Applicant hereby elects with traverse to prosecute Group A Species III, and Group B Species IX. The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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